

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2003

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met November 4, 2003, by published call in the county board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island, Nebraska.

CALL TO ORDER- The meeting was called to order Chairman Pamela Lancaster

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison

ROLL CALL – Present on roll call were Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Bob Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster and Robert Rye. Dick Hartman was absent. Also present were news media representatives from KRGI and *The Grand Island Independent*.

CONSENT AGENDA – Arnold made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following by consent agenda –

1. Accept and place on file the minutes of the October 21st meeting
2. 5b Approve Resolution #03-0075 for snow removal for Kuesters Lake
3. 5c approve Resolution #03-0076 for snow removal for Amick Acres
4. 5d Approve early claim for Gary Smith Construction in the amount of \$231,000.99
5. 5e Accept public work committee report to accept sealed bid to sell old crawler loader
6. 5f Set the bid opening for a 10 cubic yard dump truck with box and trade-in for December 2, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.
7. 5g Set the bid opening for construction material for concrete bridge for December 2, 2003 at 10:15 a.m.
8. 7 Authorize the Chair to sign the agreement for Lancaster County Youth Services
9. 8 Approve Resolution #03-0077 for exchange of collateral for Five Points Bank for \$400,000.00
10. 10 Approve the manager's license for Wood River County Club
11. 11 Authorize the Chair to sign Certification of Cost Allocation with DMG Maximus
12. 15 Accept and place on file communications from Regional Planning
13. 24 Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
14. 25 Accept and place on file communications as received

Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no, with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

13. SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PAYMENT – This item is to be tabled until after the November 18, Business Improvement District meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Lancaster called for public participation and Louise Miller, 1104 West Charles, Grand Island, requested to speak to the board. She questioned how Mr. Molina could have a couple of attorneys for his defense. Arnold stated that he might be receiving representation from the public advocacy agency.

18 LOUIS STIENKE SENIOR CITIZENS REQUEST FOR HANDI BUS – Lois Stienke with Senior Citizens was present and she stated that the Nebraska Department of Roads contacted her concerning additional funding that may be available for the purchase of an additional handi bus. She stated that they have a new bus that is coming and that this would not arrive until after July 2004, so it could be budgeted for the next fiscal year. She is requesting the board to approve the application to reserve the funding for Hall County. This will be an 80 – 20 match for the funding. She expressed concern on the maintenance that is required on the old buses and that the maintenance could exceed the cost of the 20% match for a new bus. She stated that residents in the rural areas are using the handi bus more and they have a good system. Senior Citizens have five buses. Ms. Stienke also questioned how she would have to dispose of the old bus. Lancaster stated that she could contact County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz concerning the disposal of the old bus.

Jeffries questioned what the total cost of the buses and Ms. Stienke replied that they are about \$45,000.00. She stated that they are a very heavy-duty bus.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the request for the new handi bus for the 2004 fiscal year budget. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no, with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to authorize the chair to sign the application for the handi bus. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no, with Hartman

Mrs. Stienke stated that she would get a copy of the application to the county.

9 HOWARD MAXON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR a. DISCUS & APPROVE CONTINUED FEDERAL FUNDING – Emergency Management Director Howard Maxon stated that he received the invitation for the continued federal funding in the amount of \$50,000.00. This is the application process and he will submit the entire budget to the state and after their consideration it will be awarded. He is requesting approval and authorization for the chairman to sign the application.

Jeffries made a motion and Rye seconded to authorize the chair to sign the application for the continued funding. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

9 b APPROVE REQUEST TO SELL SURPLUS PROPERTY - Mr. Maxon stated that Emergency Management owns a 1987 Ford sedan that needs to be disposed of it was an old police car and does not run because of an electrical problem. He would like to know how to dispose of it. Jeffries stated that he should check with other agencies and

if the value is over \$1,000.00 they could take sealed bids and dispose of it that way. Otherwise it can be advertised and sold.

Rye made a motion and Jeffries seconded to check with other agencies and if no one wants it to dispose of it. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

16 COMMENCE AUDIT AND APPROVAL OF BI WEEKLY PAY CLAIMS – Eriksen made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the bi weekly pay claims and authorize the County Clerk to pay. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

12 EXECUTIVE SESSION PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to go into executive session regarding the performance evaluation. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

1:45 p.m. executive session

2:00 p.m. Jeffries made a motion and Arnold seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

5 a. 2:00 P.M. BID OPENING FOR BOX CULVERTS – The following bids were received and read:

CONTRACTOR	TOTAL BID OF PROJECTS (IF TIED)
Diamond Engineering	\$59,434.04
Lj Webb contractors	\$58,265.30
Midland Contracting	\$69,496.26
Starostka Group	\$51,453.45
Strobel Construction	\$52,861.01
Van Kirk Brothers Const.	\$61,609.99
WAW Construction	\$60,927.15
Wilke Contracting	\$57,376.40

Jeffries made a motion and Arnold seconded to refer the bids to the public works committee and they will return with a decision before the meeting is over. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

The executive session for the performance evaluation and an executive session for contract negotiations were held.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to present the performance evaluation to the employee. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries and Lancaster all voted yes and none voted no, with Hartman absent and Rye absent for the vote. Motion carried.

19 DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CONTRACT FOR PRE-DESIGN PHASE OF COUNTY JAIL PROJECT – Discussion on this contract was held in executive session. Eriksen made a motion and Rye seconded to approve the contract with DLR Group for the pre-design services for the county jail project and authorize the chair to sign.

Arnold explained that a meeting was held on Friday October 31 and the Long-Range Planning Committee reviewed three proposals but he was not present at the meeting.

Eriksen stated that the long-range planning committee reviewed the proposals from three firms: Hanscomb, Faithful and Gould, Carlson West Provondra and DLR Group. There were some differences on the services that the firms offered and after the committee reviewed them, they recommend going with DLR Group for the pre-design phase for the jail. The cost of the contract with DLR will be \$25,000.00. The long-range planning committee and other people will assist with the pre-design phase. Eriksen explained that the proposed time-line for the pre-design will take about two to three months. They will pursue information concerning the financing whether it is private financing or a bond issue, the number of beds, proposed floor plan and an artist's sketch will also be part of the pre-design phase. Eriksen explained that DLR Group is the third largest firm in the nation that assists with jail facilities and they are based out of Omaha, Nebraska. All three of the firms had contacted the County Board concerning this project.

Arnold pointed out that this is a professional service and it is not necessary to take formal bids. Lancaster stated that the proposal from DLR Group is a good value for Hall County.

The vote was taken on the motion to approve the contract with DLR Group for the pre-design phase of the jail project was taken. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

6. 2:15 P.M. BID OPENING FOR HAVC MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY BUILDING - Discussion was held on a bid that was received on Tuesday morning. According to the bid specifications the bids were to be received by 5:00 p.m. on November 4th. The board agreed to not to accept the bid that was received after the Monday deadline. The bid from Engineered Controls out of Lincoln was read.

BIDDER		
Engineered Controls Inc.	11/15/2003 – 6/30/2004	\$1,924.00 monthly
	7/1/2004 – 6/30/2005	\$2001.00 monthly
	7/1/2005 – 11/30/2005	\$2,081.00 monthly
Labor rate		\$ 75.00 hourly
Alternate bid temperature control system		\$8,799.00

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to refer the bid to the building and grounds committee and County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

Chairman Lancaster called for a break so the committee's can consider the bids that were received.

2:20 p.m. break

2:45 p.m. back in regular session

The public work committee met and reviewed the bids for the box culverts, and Dan Hostler recommended accepting the low bid of Starostka Group in the amount of \$51,453.45.

Eriksen made a motion and Rye seconded to accept the low bid from Starostka Group in the amount of \$51,453.45. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Hartman absent. Motion carried.

Jeffries stated that the building and grounds committee met concerning the HAVAC bids and they need more information and requested to table these until the next meeting. Jeffries stated that the board could either accept or reject the bids they received.

17 TROY CHANDLER JUVENILE DIVERSION UPDATE - Juvenile Diversion Director Troy Chandler and Todd Usury were present. The juvenile diversion committee met and the committee was impressed with the information that they received and asked Mr. Chandler to share this information with the county board.

Mr. Chandler stated that they attended a meeting October 17 at Mahoney State Park with the Nebraska Crime Commission and several other county juvenile diversion departments. LB 243 proposes to standardize the juvenile programs throughout the State of Nebraska. Hall County's programs is one of the top four programs in the state. Mr. Chandler stated that it was an honor to be at the table with the other larger counties. Douglas, Hall, Lancaster and Sarpy Counties are the top four. They are basing criteria for other programs on the Hall County program. The Hall County Program was started in 1997. Chandler stated that he services the same number of juveniles in Hall County with one full time and two part-time employees. Sarpy County serves the same number of juveniles with 12 officers, one administrator and two clerical staff. Mr. Chandler stated that the collection of data for this new project would have an impact on his program.

Lancaster stated that she wants the public to understand that the kids would have to go through the legal system when violations occur but the juvenile program gives them a second chance. The County Attorney makes the determination if the juvenile can go through the juvenile diversion program. This is a good benefit for the kids and a benefit for Hall County.

Jeffries stated that he would have been disappointed if Hall County was not in the top four. He stated that they are doing a good job.

Todd Usury stated that he is a state employee and also serves as a juvenile intake officer. Some of the grant funding that Hall County has received allows them to start more programs. He stated that it is a privilege to be part of the program.

BOARD ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Board Assistant Stacy Ruzicka was present and reminded the board members of the computer committee meeting at 8:00 tomorrow and reminded Bob Humiston of the Economic Development meeting and the GIS committee meeting. She stated that the auditors have been using the committee meeting room and are close to being done so the room will be open for future meetings.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS – Humiston – no report

Eriksen – He stated that he attended the emergency planning meeting. He also reported on the water testing. As of last Friday there were wells tested in Schroeder and Fireside Subdivision and as of last Friday they had received half of them back and they were all clean. They also sampled 8 to 12 wells in the Farmstead and Meadow Lane Subdivision but they do not have the results back. Arnold questioned what areas that the City has had involved in the testing. Eriksen stated that they have tested wells on Blaine and Stolley Park Streets, but those are the only ones that he knows about.

Rye – No other meetings. The long-range planning meeting was already reported on.

Jeffries – He stated he attended County Government Day and the long-range planning meeting.

Arnold – He attended the crime commission meeting and that has already been discussed.

Lancaster – She reported that Senior Citizens are close to having a floor plan on their new building. She also stated that since Hall County is part of the South Central Economic Development Corporation they are requesting to have a board member serve on that board. She appointed Jim Eriksen to that board and Bob Humiston will serve as the alternate.

NEW OR UNFINIHSED BUSINESS – Chairman Lancaster called for new or unfinished business and no one responded.

The board members attended the quarterly jail tour.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m. The next meeting will be November 18, 2003.

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk